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<u>RESPONSE</u> (FILED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION)

Dear Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the final Office Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 19, 2007 (the "Office Action"). A request for an extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination are being filed concurrently herewith.

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